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# HOUSE BILL No. 1287

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 9-19-10-2.

**Synopsis:** Safety belts. Specifies that a front seat occupant of a passenger motor vehicle is considered to be in compliance with the safety belt law if: (1) the passenger motor vehicle is equipped with a safety belt system that has a lap belt and a shoulder belt that allows the lap belt to be used without the use of the shoulder belt; and (2) the front seat occupant has the lap belt properly fastened about the occupant's body.

**Effective:** July 1, 2001.

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January 9, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1       SECTION 1. IC 9-19-10-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2       FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: Sec. 2. **(a)** Each front seat  
3       occupant of a passenger motor vehicle that is equipped with a safety  
4       belt meeting the standards stated in the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety  
5       Standard Number 208 (49 CFR 571.208) shall have a safety belt  
6       properly fastened about the occupant's body at all times when the  
7       vehicle is in forward motion.

8       **(b) A front seat occupant of a passenger motor vehicle is**  
9       **considered to be in compliance with subsection (a) if:**

10       **(1) the passenger motor vehicle is equipped with:**

11       **(A) only a lap belt; or**

12       **(B) a safety belt system that:**

13       **(i) has a lap belt and a shoulder belt; and**

14       **(ii) allows the lap belt to be used without the use of the**  
15       **shoulder belt; and**

16       **(2) the front seat occupant has the lap belt properly fastened**  
17       **about the occupant's body at all times when the vehicle is in**



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